## **PATENT**

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED DECEMBER 7, 2006

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## Commissioner:

This paper is submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement dated December 7, 2006 for which the date for response is January 8, 2007 since January 7, 2007 falls on a Sunday.

It is believed that no fee is due; however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to this document, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. Account No.: 50-1212/UVMO:024US.

In response to the restriction requirement which the Examiner imposed, Applicants elect, without traverse, to prosecute claims 20-24, *i.e.*, the Group III claims.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at 512-536-3184 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

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